



Mr. Gordon Stevens Avery, II

February 28, 1963 - March 7, 2021

Gordon was born to Alan and Edith (Allaire) Avery on February 28, 1963 in Oklahoma City, Ok. He passed away peacefully on March 7th, 2021 in Columbia, SC.

Gordon grew up in rural Virginia outside of Richmond. He moved to Marshalltown, Iowa his last year of high school. He graduated from the University of Iowa in 1985 with a degree in Political Science. He married his sweetheart Deborah Leigh (Forinash) Avery in 1985. They moved to Washington DC where he worked for Vinson & Elkins. Being of a very entrepreneurial and independent mind, they relocated to Columbia, SC where he started his own business, MicroPrice Inc. They settled down with the arrival of their two children, Scott and Robin.

In 1995 Gordon met the true love of his life, Chérie (Gaskins) Avery. They blended their lives together, adding his wonderful stepdaughter, Celeste (Morris) Mills to his family. Gordon eventually made his way into real estate. He has owned Lucky Ranch Properties in Chapin where he established his property management company, Equity Real Estate Services.

In 2013, he was surprised by joy with the arrival of his daughter Lily. He was a beloved father, son, brother and friend. He was a self-learned guitarist and avid Rolling Stones fan. He shared his love for music with everyone. He had a quick wit and a knack for goofy names for loved ones.

Gordon is preceded in death by his father, The Reverend Alan Avery, sister, Anne Kathryn (Avery) Harlin, and grandparents Ella and Charles Allaire, Phoebe Jane and Gordon Stevens Avery I.

He leaves behind his beloved children: Scott, Robin, Celeste and Lily. His mother, Edith and two sisters; Seeley Holmquist and Sarah Downs and his first wife Deborah, and his true love, his rock and foundation Chérie.

Due foreseeable health and safety restrictions a celebration of life will be held later this

spring.

Memorials may be made in lieu of flowers to the Riverbanks Zoo and Garden. 500 Wildlife Pkwy, Columbia, SC 29210-8014. <https://society.riverbanks.org/donate/honorary-memorial-gifts>,

Comments



“ Gordon was my only realtor for every house I purchased. Over the years, he became my friend. I will miss you.

Pamela Lawson - May 04 at 12:48 PM



“ What can I say but he was truly a good person who was just like the rest of the world trying to find their place in it and make a mark. Well if you ever spent more than 2 minutes around him you know he had made his on you one way or another love him .hate him . Pity or fear him. I myself only found respect for him and what he did for my family and countless others who most likely didn't deserve or even ask for his help but he gave it anyway. of course it did come with a large amount of his personal opinions on what others should or shouldn't do but mostly it was just him doing what he loved to do even if he tried his best to come off as the mean old big bad landlord in reality the truth was nothing short of what I call selfless giving to his clients .tenants .. employees and mostly all of them he treated like friends at the end of the day an DC some fortunate ones like myself and my family he treated like just that . His family . So in closing I say here is to the life of the tallest short man I knew that had somehow become a weird sort of father figure to me without warning or even thought you were loved boss man and will be truly missed . Till the next big rehab job rest easy .

Steve and Julie Rabon - March 20 at 03:31 AM



“ He will be missed. His daughter Lily age 7 really loved her Daddy.

Holly Ferris - March 14 at 12:53 PM